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U.S. DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA  
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PETITION UNDER 28 U.S.C. § 2254 FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS  
BY A PERSON IN STATE CUSTODY SEEKING REVIEW OF PRISON DISCIPLINARY SANCTION

Court: <b>United States District Court</b>		District: <b>Southern District of Indiana</b>	
Name: <b>Watkins, Christian</b>		Docket or Case No.: <b>ISR23-04-0029</b>	
Place of Confinement: <b>Pendleton Correctional Facility</b>		Prisoner ID No.: <b>129307</b>	
Name of Petitioner: <b>Watkins, Christian</b>		Name of Respondent (Superintendent having custody of petitioner): <b>Dennis Regale</b>	
The Attorney General of the State of: <b>Indiana</b>			

**PETITION**

1. Name and location of prison disciplinary body that determined guilt of conviction under attack: Disciplinary Hearing Board (DHB), Pendleton Correctional Facility, 4490 W. Reformatory Road, Pendleton, Indiana, 46064-9001.

2. Date of judgment of conviction: 4-10-23

3. Sanction(s) imposed: D/s For 1 yr, Lost 2 Credit Classes, Lost All Privileges for 45 Day, Lost 6043 Good Time Days Lost over 20 years Goodtime.

4. Nature of all infractions (rule violations) involved: Battery on Staff

5. What was your plea? (Check one)

(a) Not Guilty ☒

(b) Guilty ☐

(c) Nolo contendere ☐

6. If you pleaded not guilty, what kind of hearing did you have? (Check one)

(a) Hearing Officer ☒

(b) Full Hearing ☐

(c) Other Specify

one Hearing officer Popped up while I WAS NAKED in Shower DID Hearing.

7. Did you testify at the disciplinary hearing?

☐ Yes

☒ No

8. Did you appeal the decision of guilt and imposition of sanctions?

☒ Yes

☐ No

9. If you did appeal, answer the following:

(a) Name and title of institutional reviewing authority:

Christina Conyers Reuttyhead

(b) Result of appeal:

Denied

(c) Date of result:

6/02/23

(d) Grounds raised:

"I pled Not Guilty"  
Hearing Officer Used Falsified State Forms  
Said I pled Guilty

(e) If you sought review from any denial of your appeal from a high reviewing authority, answer the following:

(i) Name and title of higher reviewing authority:

Deborah Reischer  
Christina Conyers Reuttyhead

(ii) Result of higher appeal:

Denied

(iii) Date of result:

6-02-2023

(iv) Grounds raised:

SAME AS ABOVE.

10. Other than administrative appeals from the judgment of conviction and sanction(s), have you previously filed any petitions, applications or motions with respect to this disciplinary sanction in any court, state or federal? ☐ Yes ☒ No

11. If your answer to Question 10 was "Yes," please give the following information:

(1) Name of court:

(2) Nature of proceeding:

(3) Grounds raised:

(4) Did you receive an evidentiary hearing on your petition, motion or application?

☐ Yes

☒ No

(5) Result:

(6) Date of result: \_\_\_\_\_

(7) Did you appeal to the highest state court having jurisdiction the result of action taken on any petition, motion or application? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(8) If you did *not* appeal from any adverse action of any petition, motion or application, explain briefly why you did not:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

12. State *concisely* every ground on which you claim that you are being held unlawfully. Summarize *briefly* the facts supporting each ground. If necessary, you may attach pages stating additional grounds and facts supporting the same. **CAUTION:** *In order to proceed in federal court, you must ordinarily first exhaust all available administrative appellate remedies as to each ground on which you request action by the federal court. If you fail to set forth all grounds in this petition, you may be barred from presenting additional grounds at a later date.*

A. Ground One: I DID NOT Plead Guilty

I SAID NOT GUILTY / NO COMMENT  
AT HEARING.

Supporting FACTS (state *briefly* without citing cases or law): HEARING OFFICER

LIED SAID I DID NOT PLEAD GUILTY, WHEN I ABSOLUTELY DID  
NOT. AND MY SUPPORTING FACTS ARE. HE WANTED ME  
TO SIGN THE REPORT OF DISCIPLINARY HEARING FORM  
AFTER HEARING. I REFUSED BECAUSE I DID NOT  
PLEAD GUILTY. AND PER POLICY WHEN AN INMATE  
REFUSES TO SIGN THE FORM, HEARING OFFICER  
IS SUPPOSED TO GET ANOTHER STAFF TO WITNESS

That ~~Justice~~ Refused to Sign And Why? He Didnt Do That. Because I told C/O he ASKED That I WASNT singing it Because he WAS saying I Plead Guilty when I DID NOT. And That He Shouldnt Sign it either. And That C/O Said he WAS staying out of whole mess! WAS NOT GIVING Falsely State Document!

B. Ground Two: ~~Hearing~~ Officer WAS NOT Impartial IF ANYTHING HIS ACTIONS SHOW he WAS 100% BIAS AGAINST ME.

Supporting FACTS (state briefly without citing cases or law): He Lied About me saying not Guilty, Didnt follow policy Regarding Singing The State Forms, Refused me Access to Evidence Listed on Disciplinary Report, He took 6043 Good Days, Plus 2 Credit Classes, About 20 years Added to Sentence, This is AN IDOC Employee totally BIAS. And The Reason I think he Falsified my plea IS #1 ~~He~~ He Could And WANTED to, #2 Doesnt have to look AT real reason it happened. The Evidence, It Aint right A IDOC Employee

can have that kind of power all alone, without witness or verification, of any kind

C. Ground Three: Clearly stated on my Disciplinary Appeals, First Sentence "I Said not Guilty" And Both Appeals were Denied

Supporting FACTS (state briefly without citing cases or law): Faculty level appeal (Denied) She said "I see zero due process errors" Appeal Down State says "due process of this case appears to be true and accurate" They both totally ignored my claim of pleading not guilty. It's simple if I had plead guilty I would have signed the report. And it would be witnessed by another staff member. Not just bias hearing officer with more power than the courts. Because he don't even have to keep accurate records and facts, everything he did. He could have just wrote the truth I plead not guilty. But he was gonna find me guilty.

D. Ground Four: This Prison Has A Bad  
Problem of not Following procedures.

Supporting FACTS (state briefly without citing cases or law): Staff At This  
Facility Falsely All Kinds of Forms.  
By writing Some weird excuse where our  
Signature is Supposed to be on State Forms.  
When Ever we Dont Agree with them,  
they Do it on property forms, medical  
Refusals, Passes, Haircuts, Classification Forms,  
But This has gone to far I Swear  
under penalty of perjury. I Plead Not  
GUILTY/no Comment. I Followed policy,  
Signed my Forms. A lone Staff  
member Shouldnt Be allowed to Give me  
20+ more years in Prison. With out  
Due Process And With out any Kind of  
Over Sight.

13. If any of the grounds listed in ¶ 12A, B, C and/or D were not previously presented in your administrative appeal, state briefly what grounds were not presented and give your reasons for

not presenting them: my Appeal is EXACT SAME AT Both levels



14. Do you have any petition, motion, application or appeal now pending in any court or before any administrative hearing body, either state or federal, as to the disciplinary action under attack?

☐ Yes

☒ No

15. Give the name and prison identification number or title of any inmate or staff law advocate who represented you in the following stages of the disciplinary proceeding under attack:

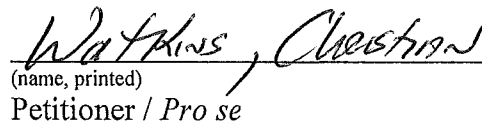
a. Disciplinary hearing: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Institutional level appeal: \_\_\_\_\_

c. Higher level appeal: \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREFORE**, Petitioner prays that the Court grant petitioner relief to which petitioner may be entitled in this proceeding.

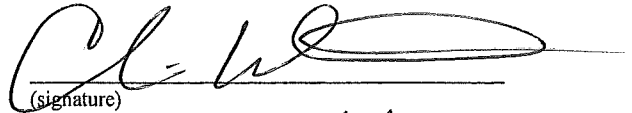
  
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(name, printed)  
Petitioner / Pro se

**AFFIRMATION**

I, the undersigned, declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing representations are true and correct to the best of my personal knowledge and belief; and, that this Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus was placed in the mailing system on the below executed date.

Executed on this 5 day of December 2023

  
(signature)

Christon Watkins  
(name, printed)

Petitioner / *Pro se*

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